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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred Wednesday, July 1, 2015 in the 3900 block of Pinson Valley Parkway.

The identity of the victim will be released upon notification of immediate family.

On Wednesday, July 1, 2015 around 7:00 p.m. East Precinct officers responded to the listed location on a person shot. Upon arrival, officers observed the victim lying on the ground suffering from what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the head and chest area. The victim was pronounced deceased at the scene by Birmingham Fire and Rescue.

Our preliminary investigation revealed that the incident stemmed from the victim and two of his friends approaching customers at the Jet Pep gas station with the intention of carjacking a vehicle. According to a witness, the victim was planning to carjack a vehicle so that he and his friends could get home. Apparently, the victim approached a mint colored SUV that was parked at the Jet Pep and seconds later shots were fired from the SUV striking the victim. The victim ran across the street to the Shell gas station and collapsed. The mint colored SUV occupied by a black male left the scene in an unknown direction. This is an ongoing homicide investigation and additional information will be released as it becomes available.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, they are encouraged to contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.